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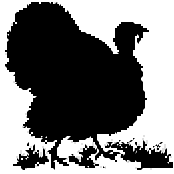
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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE



DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The trade sentiment on frozen 8-16 lb. hens was steady to fully steady, frozen 16-24 lb. toms was barely steady to weak. Demand remains in a full range, slow to instances good. Offerings of frozen hens were tight in all regions, frozen toms available in the East and Central areas and closely balanced in the West. Parts and meats trading was slow. Demand was limited, with reported sales for partial loads and spot loads. Supplies were adequate.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

No trading was reported. Demand was very light for the holiday week. Offerings were fully adequate.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **NOVEMBER 24, 2004**

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	75-80	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	75-79	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	79-80	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	70-76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	70-76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	72.5-77	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **NOVEMBER 23, 2004**

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	75-80	75	75.00	80	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	75-79	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	79-80	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	70-76	70	70.00	80	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	70-76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	72.5-77	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 23 NOVEMBER 2004.

The market tone was steady on fresh breast meat. Trading was light but adequate for the limited holiday demand. The market tone on thigh meat was mixed, mostly steady. Supplies were irregularly available, but adequate for current needs. Thigh meat with less than 6 months age traded at 77 cents delivered. Tom drums sold in a lower trending range and floor stocks moved into a better balance. The market tone was barely steady to steady on frozen tom drums, steady on fresh tom drums. Tails moved at 31 cents, plant grade nonbasted 8-10 lb breasts at 95 and 12-14 lb breasts at 120. Trucking schedules were tight and restricted sales in some areas. Export activity was fair and centered on fresh tom drums at open prices.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		T	100.00	200
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/		F	165.00	39
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	41.00		41.00	6
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH		R	39.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	39.00		39.00	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	47.00-52.00		48.06	51
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	54.00-56.00		55.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	94.00		94.00	20
NECKS, TOM	31.00		31.00	5
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	181.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	216.00		216.00	80
THIGH MEAT	79.00-87.00		79.73	220
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	93.00		93.00	22
BREAST TRIM MEAT		R	138.00	17
SCAPULA MEAT	120.00		120.00	20
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		R	177.00	12
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		F	191.87	298
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		R	100.00	32
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	21.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/		F	19.00	120

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	35.00-39.00		36.40	200
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		W	24.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	21.00	160
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	82.00	52

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted. 3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY, DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	112
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	112
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	85
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	85

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	105-123
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	99-123
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	99-116
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	98-120
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	98-122

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Market activity slowed as people transitioned from pre-holiday schedules into holiday schedules. Trading centered on less than truck lot volumes and spot loads. Demand was moderate for fresh breast meat, good for limited supplies of fresh destrapped tenders, scapula and wingmeat. Less than truck lot volumes of fresh scapula moved at 118 to 128 and fresh wing meat at 122. Tails moved at 23-24, livers at 23 and thigh trim at 45. Fresh thigh meat for export sold at 89 cents.

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DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	37.50-39.00		38.13	54
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		T	39.00	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	48.00-50.00		48.29	42
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		T	55.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		T	94.00	20
NECKS, TOM	28.00-30.00		28.54	65
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	181.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	216.00-218.50		216.83	120
THIGH MEAT		T	79.73	220
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	90.00-91.00		90.82	79
BREAST TRIM MEAT		R	138.00	17
SCAPULA MEAT		T	120.00	20
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		R	177.00	12
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	192.00-193.00		192.15	131
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	100.00		100.00	76
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	21.00		21.00	16
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	18.00-21.00		18.70	198

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	T	36.40	200
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS			
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM			
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BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 11/17/04

POULTRY HEALTH BOARD

SEASON	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITE	BREEDS
2003-2004	6,850	121,645	121,645
2002-2003	3,940	119,491	119,491

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